GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3526
ANSWERED ON:19.08.2003
CANCELLATION OF APPOINTMENT UNDER THE RURAL WEIGHTAGE QUOTA
R.L. JALAPPA

Will the Minister of PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that the Supreme Court has cancelled the appointments made in Karnataka under the rural weightage quota;

(b) if so, the number of persons affected thereby;

(c) whether there is any proposal to protect the interests of these appointees by bringing suitable amendment to the Constitution; and

(d) if so, the details thereof;

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERS(PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS. (SHRI HARIN PATHAK)

(a): The Supreme Court has held rule 3B of the Karnataka Civil Services (General Recruitment) Rules, 1977 providing for weightage of marks to rural candidates as void.

(b): Government of India has no information about number of persons affected by the judgement of the Supreme Court.

(c): There is no proposal to amend the Constitution to provide weightage or reservation for rural candidates in posts/services.

(d): Does not arise.